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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR IMAGE COMMUNICATIONS
CAPABLE OF EFFECTIVELY PERFORMING RECEIPT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Title of Invention

APPLICATION ELEMENTS ENCLOSED.

1. ☒ Specification (total pages 47 including:
 - a. 18 pages of claims (58 claims)
 - b. 1 page(s) Abstract
2. ☒ 8 sheets of informal ☒ formal drawings (Figs. 1-8)
3. ☒ Oath or declaration of Applicant(s) (3 total pages)
 - a. Newly executed (original)
 - b. ☒ Unexecuted
 - c. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
(for continuation/divisional with Item 14 completed)
4. Deletion of Inventor(s)
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b)
5. Incorporation By Reference
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied in item 3b is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
6. Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)

APPLICATION PARTS ENCLOSED:

7. An assignment (cover sheet & document(s))
8. 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee)
9. ☒ Power of Attorney
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10. X Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449

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11.____ A Preliminary Amendment

12. X Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)

13.____ Applicant(s) hereby establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27

14. ____ If a Continuing Application, check the appropriate box and supply the requisite information:

☐ Continuation of prior application No.: _____ filed _____

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15. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line of page one: --This is a continuation of application Serial No. _____ filed _____--

16. X Priority of application No. 2001-015278 filed in Japan on January 24, 2001. Applicants hereby claim priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119.

 X A certified copy of priority application No. 2001-015278 is enclosed

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